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## RIGHT PARTY FOR NEGROES.

Republicans Maintain Human Rights at All Times.

PRESIDENT THEODORE ROOSEVELT A GALLANT LEADER.

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The Republican party was born in 1795. It was called into existence for the purpose of meeting stern and trying conditions and to solve problems that required the organization of the best intellectual forces of the time; and though it was deemed the first duty of the party to secure political freedom to the white man, it did not stop there; it developed in power and magnanimity until it also brought political freedom to the black man. For over 40 years it has contended that all men breathing the air of this grand republic, whether they be black or white, shall be free—free to labor, free to exercise political duties as citizens, free to engage in many business and professional competition—free to enjoy life and the pursuit of happiness. In its platform of 1872 it emphasized this splendid declaration: "Complete liberty and exact equality in the enjoyment of all civil, political and public rights should be established and effectually maintained throughout the Union by efficient and appropriate state federal legislation. Neither the law nor its administration in respect to citizens by reason of race, creed, or previous condition of servitude." This feeling has dominated the party during all its splendid history; whereas the feeling of opposition to the Negroes progress on general principals has been the Democratic party.

We would not like to witness a departure from this noble principle, so long serving as a corner stone of the one great political party in the United States. It would appear to us that the erudition, the eloquence, genuine courage and tenacity of President Roosevelt, on account of the noble attitude he has already assumed toward the Negro, and on account of the noble attitude he has already assumed toward the new and praiseworthy type of statesmanship manifested by the chief executive of the nation,

would warrant us in believing that we may not witness a departure from this principle—that we may trust to his keeping the legacy of the past, and that as long as the Negro will continue to perform his political duty with efficiency, he will find a place in the political arena with the rest of the worthy.

The Republican party has always believed in the common people—the working masses. It has always believed in honest labor; and, in token of this, the thousand who attended the convention at Chicago, at which the immortal Abraham Lincoln was nominated, went wild with enthusiasm when one of the rails he had split when a boy was lifted up before them. This devotion to manly labor—this aggressive Vindication of honest toil by the Republican party never prove recreant to its great trust, that of maintaining the common rights of all the citizens of this republic. And while the yells of the barbarous mob drown out the expiring groans of its innocent victim in some secluded section of our country and political manducants take neutral ground in regard to the subversion of human rights, and the political trickster skulks stealthily away with his impoverishing plunder, in some rural district of the South, let the grand old party, with the gallant President Theodore Roosevelt as its leader continue to prove the purity of its purposes, the wisdom of its magnificent plans, and the splendid balance of its judgement in continuing its efforts in the direction of human elevation—human rights—political liberty!

### MARRIAGE.

Mr. Tomray Gordon and Miss Alice Sango were married one day last week in Okmulgee, after which they returned to Muskogee for a few days visit, and left on the "4" for Okmulgee where they will open a hotel.

Thursday night, September 29, Miss Odessa Bennett, daughter of Mrs. Rosa Bennett, North 5th St., to Mr. Cornelius Kimbrea. Rev. Toliver of the M. E. church officiated. Success to future welfare of the happy young couple.

DAVE RICHARDSON'S  
BARBERSHOP,  
OPPOSITE COURT HOUSE.  
SATISFACTION GUARANTEED  
Dave Richardson - Prop.

### Another Piece. of Cowardice.

In the last issue of the Cimeter I put such a hot dose under the belt of one of the trustees, a big city parson, who pastors in the city, till he is forced to answer me from his pulpit. I am informed he tells that the trustees had a right to do almost anything they desired to do, all because they are trustees. What excellent reasoning! He takes the pulpit to do his cursed "get back." Now I desire to say in words so plain that a fool may not mistake. If anyone say I was informed of the change in anyway, either by word or otherwise till I had approached them after this dirty, black-hearted, debased, unscrupulous, piece of dirt had been accomplished, write it down as the biggest, most diabolical lie told since the dark day of Annias and Saphira. Now, when a man will take the advantage to answer an article from his pulpit because I could not be present and were I there, I would not be accorded the liberty to answer him, and tells a deep dyed, uncompromising falsehood, no more respect should be shown him than an ordinary rouser and he shew the true signs of a cur to do it. This is an example of true leadership. God forbid that such figuerhead should ever preside within the confines of civilized communities.

I am ready to say to the public that another trustee, Rev. L. W. Sango, a man I have greatly esteemed since I met him, declares that the matter was not explained in the Board, and no real explanation was ever made to him till I fully explained it to him.

This parson tells his people that they should hear both sides before condemning him. Well, sir—I am surprised. How could you have done what you did without first giving an investigation? But when I hit you one of those solar plexus blows, you hollow foul. There are others of the Board who live out of town who no doubt, up to this good hour, are probably entirely ignorant of how this rascality was planned, and the hellish means used to further the ends of this conspiracy. I am too much man to use my church to denounce you, sir, as long as this government accords its citizens free speech, and we have access to the press of our land. Having been planned by the devil and his co-

horts, you still see there is nothing but underground work which is shown by taking it into his pulpit you seem to pose as an apostle of right—then what about the money you carried to the Territorial Sunday School convention at South McAlistier. They say your Sunday school gave it to you. Why not return it as you were given it to pay some one else's way, and did not account for it. But of course you are a just man. I thank God the people are going to make the scoundrel and daddy of this dirty act, feel public sentiment as he never has.

P. TAYLOR,

### HASKEL ITEMS.

Tomie H. Ryles has been very sick this week with chills and fever.

Messrs. Harry and J. H. Cobrey, Mr. Jake Simmons, Mrs. Katy and Jack Friday went to Muskogee this week.

Mr. John Ware has a beautiful \$500 resident finished up this week. Ware is O. K. anyway.

Mr. Joe Jackson has baled for stock to winter on, 450 tons of fine hay.

Mr. A. C. Carpenter has 5000 pounds of cotton this week. Mr. Carpenter is a first class farmer and is here from Cherokee nation.

Mr. Jake Simmons has let a contract to a contractor to build for himself a fine six room, two story resident when complete it will be one of the finest in the country. Mr. Simmons owns some of the finest land in Arkansas river valley. He is a good farmer. Perhaps there is no one man in his section has more influence for good than he.

Sister Doreather Coats of Muskogee, the lady preacher, spent last week with us warning sinners to come to God. Sister Coats is a lady of fine culture and equipped for the pulpit. She labored very hard for us.

She was born in the state of Tennessee in the year of 1875, 6 miles from Grand Junction in Hardman county, she has travel over a great many states and preached where ever she went. We were glad to have Sister Coats with us, she is loved by everybody here.

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